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The Baltimore American Indian Center Heritage Museum Presents

HARD WORKIN' PILGRIMS: Lumbee Indians in Baltimore City Industry

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND – The Baltimore American Indian Center Heritage Museum proudly presents the exhibit *Hard Workin' Pilgrims: Lumbee Indians in Baltimore City Industry*. The exhibit, which features photographs, oral histories and material cultural artifacts of Baltimore's first generation of Lumbee residents, will open on October 1, 2014. On Saturday, October 11, 2014 there will be a reception and panel discussion with Lumbee Elders from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. (panel 2-3 p.m.).

Thousands of men, women and children of all nationalities and races propelled Baltimore into the Industrial Age. After the second World War, there too was a large migration of Lumbee Indians from rural North Carolina to Baltimore City. Like other groups, they came seeking employment in order to improve their quality of life. They settled in Southeast Baltimore, concentrated in a 64-block area from Broadway Street to Patterson Park. This became and remains to be

the largest Lumbee community outside of Lumbee tribal territory in existence. With them, these Lumbee brought their culture and traditions, which they have kept and shared in our city over the years. This exhibit and public program spotlights some of their little known history, their contributions, their legacy in Baltimore.

Previously at the Baltimore Museum of Industry, join us to welcome this exhibit home to the heart of our community, the Baltimore American Indian Center Heritage Museum. Admission to the reception and panel discussion is FREE to the public. Admission to the Museum during the month of October is FREE in connection with Free Fall Baltimore.

This exhibit and public program was funded by the Maryland State Arts Council Maryland Traditions Program and the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts. For more information contact Ashley Minner, ashley.minner@gmail.com 410-245-4303.

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Founded in 1968, the Baltimore American Indian Center (BAIC) is a community based non-profit organization dedicated to serving the needs of Native Americans living in the State of Maryland by providing social, economic, and training assistance, and access to health-related services. It aims to provide a central voice and focus for expressing concerns and resolving problems affecting Native Americans in Maryland. The BAIC is also committed to providing Native Arts, Cultural Awareness and Education to Natives and non-Natives. Museum hours are Thursdays and Saturdays 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Heritage Museum is located within the Baltimore American Indian

Center at 113 South Broadway Street Baltimore, Maryland 21231.
Street parking.

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Photo Images:

"Hal Hunt," former Foreman, Baltimore City Forestry Division

"John Walker" shines his truck

**"Redell and Jeanette Hunt" on the occasion of Redell receiving
his \$10,000 suggestion award at General Motors**